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FACILITATING CREDIT PAYMENTS IN THE ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE ENVIRONMENT

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b),
ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §3.71, and
POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Sir:

This document provides a Statement under §3.73 by the Assignee, an Election by the Assignee under §3.71 to prosecute at the exclusion of the inventor(s), and a Power of Attorney from the Assignee.

Statement Under §3.73(b)

The undersigned states that it is the Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the Patent application identified above by virtue of either:

A. ☒ An Assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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☐ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

☒ Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

[NOTE: A separate copy (*i.e.*, the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.08]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

Election under §3.71

The Assignee hereby elects under 37 C.F.R. §3.71 to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventor(s).

Power of Attorney

The Assignee revokes any previous Powers of Attorney and appoints Robert M. O'Keefe, Reg. No. 35,630; Richard D. Egan, Reg. No. 36,788; Brian W. Peterman, Reg. No. 37,908, William W. Enders, Reg. No. 41,735, and Maximilian R. Peterson, Reg. No. 46,469, each an attorney of the firm of O'KEEFE, EGAN & PETERMAN, LLP, as its attorney for so long as they remain with such firm, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute the application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith, and to receive any Letters Patent, and for one year after issuance of such Letters Patent to file any request for a certificate of correction that may be deemed appropriate.

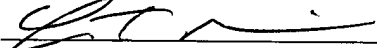
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ASSIGNEE:

WORKS OPERATING COMPANY

By: 
(Signature)

Name: C. Todd Praisner
(Please print)

Date: 4/9/2004

Title: Vice President
(Please print)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt, sufficiency and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, do hereby:


SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to WORKS OPERATING COMPANY (the "Assignee"), being incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware having a place of business at 6801 N. Capital of Texas Highway, Building 1, Austin, Texas 78731-1716, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries in and to (1) any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, which has been filed concurrently herewith and is entitled "PAYMENT CONTROL SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED METHOD FOR FACILITATING CREDIT PAYMENTS IN THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ENVIRONMENT," (2) such application and all divisional, continuing, continuation-in-part, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of such improvements; and (3) any and all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and specifically including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty and claim priority based on such applications in the United States;

AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all United States and foreign patents granted on such improvements to the Assignee;

WARRANT AND COVENANT that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been or will be made to others by the undersigned, and that the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned;

COVENANT, when requested and at the expense of the Assignee, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all such improvements; execute all rightful oaths, declarations, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers; communicate to the Assignee all facts known to the undersigned relating to such improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which the Assignee shall consider desirable for vesting title to such improvements in the Assignee, and for securing, maintaining and enforcing proper patent protection for such improvements;

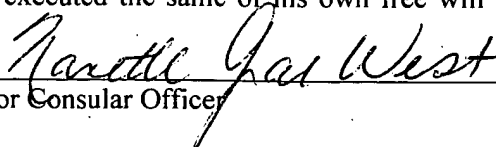
TO BE BINDING on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned and extend to the successors, assigns and nominees of the Assignee.

(Signature): 
C. Todd Praisner

Date: 4/4/2004

State of Texas)
)
County of TRAVIS)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 9 day of April, 2004, personally appeared C. Todd Praisner, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.


Notary or Consular Officer



STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.27(a)(2) & 1.27(c)) – SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

DOCKET NO.
WRKS:007

Applicant or Patentee: C. Todd Praisner

Application No.: Unknown

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I hereby declare that I am:

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN: WORKS OPERATING COMPANY
ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN: 6801 N. Capital of Texas Highway
Building 1
Austin, TX 78731-1716

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 CFR 1.27(a)(2) and 13 CFR 121.802 for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

- ☒ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
☐ the application identified above.
☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, then I also hereby declare that no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.27(a)(1) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.27(a)(2), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.27(a)(3).

Each such person, concern or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

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no such person, concern or organization exists.
each such person, concern or organization is listed below:

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.27(g)(2)).

NAME OF PERSON SIGNING: C. Todd Praisner

TITLE OF PERSON IF OTHER THAN OWNER: Vice President

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SIGNATURE:  DATE: 4/9/2009

**DECLARATION
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As an undersigned inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and country of citizenship are as stated directly below my name.

I believe (check one) ☒ I am the original, first and sole inventor
☐ I am a joint inventor and the below named inventors are the
original and first inventors

of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

(check one) ☒ is attached hereto.
☐ was filed on _____,
as Application Serial No. _____,
and was amended on _____.
(if applicable)

I further declare that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter "the Office") all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter which is claimed as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate indicated below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)		Day/Month/Year Filed	Priority Claimed	
Number	Country		Yes	No
_____	_____	_____	_____	X

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S. C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application listed below:

Provisional Application Serial No.

60/469,941

Filing Date

May 13, 2003

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial No.

Filing Date


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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of first joint inventor: C. Todd Praisner

Inventor's Signature 

4/9/2004
Date

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